REMARKS

- 1. Applicant has amended claim 1 in accordance with the Examiner's request for inclusion of the last phrase. The Examiner has indicated that claims contain allowable material, and has cited no grounds for rejection of these claims apart from §112. IN a telephone conference with the Examiner on this date, the Examiner indicated that this is the only amendment necessary.
- 2. Applicant's counsel requests that the Examiner reconsider the finding that the initial amendment (which the Examiner has confirmed was entered in its entirety) was non-responsive. The response included a full rewrite of the specification and claims. The Examiner has confirmed that the last clause in claim 1 was the only omission in the response. Applicant's counsel certainly did not intend to broaden the scope of the claim, but rather was only trying to put the phrase into something that made sense in English. Applicant's counsel apologizes for the omission, and requests that the original response be deemed bona fide, so that a one month period is provided without need for extension for Applicant to file this corrected response.

In light of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant now asserts that all of the grounds for rejection have been traversed or overcome by amendment, and that all of the present claims are in condition for immediate allowance. Applicant therefore requests reconsideration of the objections and rejections, and solicits allowance of the present claims at an early date.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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